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**Re: U.S. Patent Application of SOMMER, Phillip R. et al. for their  
"Apparatus and Method for Installing Optical Components in an  
Integrated Optical Fiber Processing System"  
Serial No.: 10/082,799; Filed: February 25, 2002  
Our Docket No. 007419/17**

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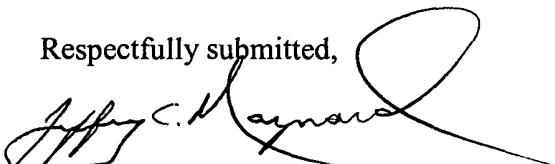
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1. Correction of Entity Status Under 37 C.F.R. 1.28(c) (2 pages total).
2. Our check in the amount of \$1289.00 to cover the deficiency payment.
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In the event that Applicant has overlooked the need for any petition for an additional extension of time to file the enclosed papers, petition is hereby made to extend the current due date so as to cover the filing date of this paper and attachment(s).

Please charge any unanticipated fees, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No.: 50-1479 (a duplicate copy of this charge authorization is attached).

Respectfully submitted,



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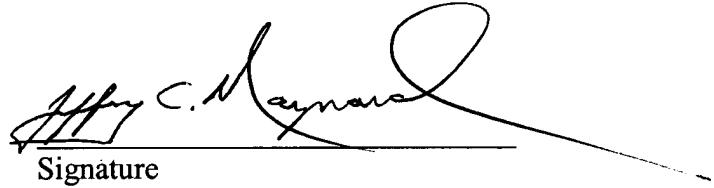
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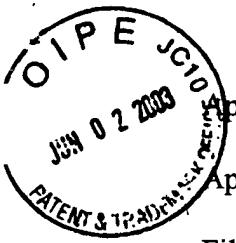


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Appln. of: SOMMER, Phillip et al.  
 Appln. No.: 10/082,799 Examiner: To be assigned  
 Filed: February 25, 2002 Art Unit: 2874  
 For: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR INSTALLING OPTICAL COMPONENTS  
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**CORRECTION OF ENTITY STATUS UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.28(c)**

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TYPE OF FEE	CURRENT FEE AMOUNT	FEES PAID	DATE PAID	DEFICIENCY AMOUNT OWED
Utility Application Filing Fee	\$750.00	\$370.00	10/17/02	\$380.00
Claims in excess of twenty x 8	\$144.00	\$72.00	10/17/02	\$72.00
Independent claims in excess of three x 1	\$84.00	\$42.00	10/17/02	\$42.00
Four-month extension of time fee	\$1,450.00	\$720.00	10/17/02	\$730.00
Surcharge for late filing oath or declaration	\$130.00	\$65.00	10/17/02	\$65.00
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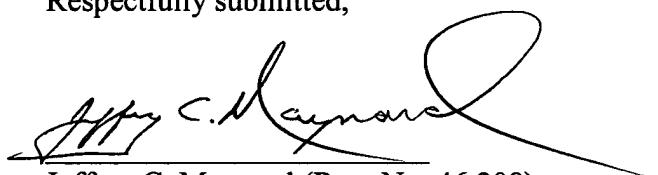
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